

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A novelty figurine, comprising:
a head portion;
a body portion located proximate said head portion,
said body portion comprising at least one substantially hollow interior section and at least one selectively openable door assembly for access into said substantially hollow interior section; and
at least one carabiner attachment assembly extending from said body portion for selectively allowing said figurine to be attached to or removed from another item able to receive said attachment assembly, said attachment assembly comprising at least a first [and second] leg [assemblies, with one of said leg assemblies] having a selectively openable gate assembly extending therealong.
2. (cancelled)
3. (currently amended) A novelty figurine as recited in claim [2] 1, wherein said selectively openable door assembly comprises a hinge assembly around which said door assembly is selectively rotatable from a closed position to an open position thereby allowing access into said substantially hollow interior section.
4. (currently amended) A novelty figurine as recited in claim [3] 1, further comprising means to support said figurine in a substantially upright, standing position, with said head portion located substantially above said body portion.

5. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 4, said hinge assembly located at a bottom section of said body portion so that a substantially uppermost portion of said door assembly is proximate said head portion when said door assembly is in said closed position and said substantially uppermost portion of said door assembly is rotatably displaced downward therefrom when said door assembly is in said open position.

6. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 5, said support means comprising a portion of said bottom section of said body portion and at least one leg support assembly extending from said body portion at, or proximate to, said bottom section.

7. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 5, said head portion connected to said door assembly at said substantially uppermost portion thereof.

8. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 5, said head portion being said substantially uppermost portion of said door assembly.

9. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in either of claims 7 or 8, said head portion further comprising selectively releasable securing means extending from a back side of said head portion for selectively securing said head portion to an uppermost section of said body portion when said door assembly is in said first, closed position.

10. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 9, said securing means comprising a clip assembly having first and second clipping arms attached to said back side of said head

portion at first ends thereof, said first and second clipping arms defining a clipping space therebetween at second ends thereof for receipt within said clipping space of a portion of said body portion so that when said portion of said body portion is received within said clipping space of said clip assembly, said door assembly is in said first, closed position.

11. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 5, said door assembly further comprising selectively releasable securing means extending from said substantially uppermost portion of said door assembly for selectively securing said substantially uppermost portion of said door assembly to said body portion when said door assembly in said closed position.

12. (previously withdrawn) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 1, said head portion being attached to a portion of said body portion by a spring.

13. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 1, said gate assembly comprising a pin and a gate arm, said gate arm being selectively pivotable about said pin.

14. (original) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 1, said gate assembly comprising a resilient gate arm.

15. (currently cancelled)

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26. (previously withdrawn) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 15, said head portion being attached to a portion of said second leg assembly of said attachment assembly by a spring.

27. (currently cancelled)

28. (currently cancelled)

29. (currently withdrawn) A figurine face and carabiner combination, comprising:

 a carabiner assembly, comprising:

 a body portion having a receiving surface
extending therealong; and

 at least first and second leg assemblies
extending from said body portion in directions away from
said receiving surface, with one of said leg assemblies

having a selectively openable gate assembly extending therealong; and

at least a portion of a 3-dimensional facial image extending from said receiving surface.

30. (previously withdrawn) A figurine face and carabiner combination, comprising:

a carabiner assembly, comprising:

a body portion having a receiving surface extending therealong;

first and second leg assemblies extending from said body portion in directions away from said receiving surface, with one of said leg assemblies having a selectively openable gate assembly extending therealong; and

a third leg assembly extending between and connecting said first and second leg assemblies; and

at least a portion of a 3-dimensional facial image extending from said receiving surface.

31. (currently amended) A novelty figurine, comprising:

a head portion;

a body portion located proximate said head portion, said body portion comprising at least one substantially hollow interior section and at least one selectively openable door assembly for access into said substantially hollow interior section; and

a carabiner attachment assembly extending from said body portion.

32. (new) A novelty figurine, comprising:

a head portion;

a body portion located proximate said head portion;
at least one carabiner attachment assembly extending from said body portion for selectively allowing said figurine to be attached to or removed from another item able to receive said attachment assembly, said attachment assembly comprising at least a first leg having a selectively openable gate assembly extending therealong; and

means to support said figurine in a substantially upright, standing position, with said head portion located substantially above said body portion.

33. (new) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 32, said support means comprising a portion of a bottom section of said body portion and at least one leg support assembly extending from said body portion at, or proximate to, said bottom section.

34. (new) A novelty figurine as recited in claim 32, said head portion further comprising selectively releasable securing means for selectively securing said head portion to an uppermost section of said body portion.